

IS GAINES A FIT MAN

To Superintend the Instruction of the Youth of Kansas?

THE ASTOUNDING LANGUAGE USED

By the Populist State Superintendent of Public Instruction in an Altercation With Editor Barber of La Cynne

Ed T. Barber, editor of the La Cynne Journal, publishes in his paper a full account of the attack made on him at the Republican state convention by Superintendent of Public Instruction H. N. Gaines. It appears that Mr. Barber had been bitterly criticizing Superintendent Gaines for his part in the purchase of the \$10,000 worth of fraudulent school bonds. The report of the encounter in the La Cynne Journal is as follows except that blanks are used instead of the profane words themselves as in the Journal's report:

About half past 4 p. m., June 7, while attending the Republican state convention at Topeka, we were standing in the convention hall when we were accosted by a man who introduced himself as Mr. H. N. Gaines, state superintendent of public instruction, and the following dialogue took place:

Gaines—"I have something I want to show to you."

He then produced from a pocketbook a clipping from the La Cynne Journal which I recognized as my comment on the Hamilton county bond deal. After handing me the article Gaines said: "Did you ever see that before?"

Reply: "You bet I have; I wrote it myself."

Gaines: "It is a ——— dirty lie, from beginning to end, and if I catch you on the street I will whip the ——— stuffing out of you."

Reply: "I believe the article to be true. I formed the opinion expressed in it from your own letter, Mr. Gaines, and I believe it to be the only logical conclusion by the facts from your own standpoint."

Gaines: "Well, it is a ——— dirty lie, and you are a gentleman, and I shall punch you the first time I meet you on the street. I am coming down into your country soon and I will settle with you then."

Reply: "Mr. Gaines, don't you try to run a bluff on me, and there are a few things I want to understand thoroughly. I can't be bluffed, I am not afraid of you, and I will not be provoked by you into doing anything here in this convention that will bring discredit upon myself or this convention. I desire to have nothing further to do with you and I prefer you let me alone."

Gaines—"Well, I am going to whip you, you ——— liar, and if you ever enter my office I will kick you out. I don't propose to have an obscure two by four editor criticize my actions or call me a fool and knave."

Reply—"I have said nothing of you I do not believe to be true, and if I have misrepresented you or injured you, unjustly, I am ready to retract and make amends, but I shall tell what I believe to be true, and I am not running a paper especially to please you fellows of the state house."

Gaines—"Don't you ever put my name in your paper again or I will whip ——— out of you."

Reply—"Don't you get into any more boodie scrapes Mr. Gaines or your name will surely get into the La Cynne Journal."

Gaines—"You are a ——— lying ———, and I will defend my honor at any time or place."

Reply—"I repeat, Mr. Gaines, that you cannot provoke me to a breach of decorum in this convention hall during the session of the convention. As to defending your honor you have no overwhelming task; it is so very small it needs but little."

At this point a number of bystanders interfered and pulled Superintendent Gaines away.

Mr. Gaines as "Dr. Jekyll."

Editor Barber then calls attention in his paper to the address of Supt. Gaines before the Southeast Kansas Teachers' association at Emporia last Thanksgiving in which he said:

"No one who is not a Christian in the highest and truest sense of the word, whose moral character is not above reproach nor who is not absolutely pure in thought, deed, speech, and actions should aspire to a position of teacher, or to a position on any county or state ticket, especially that of state or county superintendent of schools,—positions involving the character and morality of the children of our land."

On Saturday, June 24, 1893, the following synopsis of an address of Mr. Gaines to the Shawnee County Teachers' association appeared in a Topeka paper: "A person who has not morals above reproach is not fit to be an instructor for our boys and girls. There is far more to be worked for in this world than money and position. Be an inspiration to your pupils; lift them up, help them to be better and better as time rolls on."

THAT IRRIGATION PLANK.

Editor Bristow Has Visited 100 Irrigating Planks and Is Convinced.

"That irrigation plank is all right," said J. L. Bristow, the well known Fifth district politician. "It is the all absorbing question just now. I am on my way home from an irrigation convention in Grant county, which is in the extreme western part of the state."

"There are only about 150 men in the county and thirty or forty men will put in wind mills and go to irrigating at once. This is the solution of the dry weather and hot wind problem in Kansas. Irrigation by wind mills and pumps means that every man can make a living on a quarter section of land in the western country. I visited 100 irrigating plants and saw as fine fruit and grain and vegetables as I ever saw in my life. I met a man at Ulisses who hauls water 100 yards to irrigate a garden."

No Football at Baker.

The trustees of Baker University by a vote of 9 to 2 have decided that students of that institution must not engage in inter-collegiate games of football. The football question caused much trouble in the Methodist church last summer and two church trials resulted from it.

Born.

To Mrs. and Mr. J. Hartzell of Oakland, a daughter, June 18th.

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ROBBED THE 'WYANDOTTE'

Youthful Thieves Plunder Auditor Gillette's Special Car and Are Caught.

The Santa Fe special car "Wyandotte," No. 100, which brought Auditor Gillette to Topeka yesterday, was robbed and defaced by young scamps late yesterday afternoon, but the boys who did the deed have been arrested and they will be turned over to the Santa Fe company for prosecution. The car was switched to an obscure portion of the yards and Frank, John and Charles White accompanied by Earl Cafferty and Clarence McDowell, tried to break into it. They did not succeed in this but were successful in unhooking the ice chest under the car door and stealing seven bottles of beer, some cake, cheese, sandwiches and other accessories of what the boys thought constituted a swell spread. After they had appeased their hunger they threw stones through the large windows of the car and took particular pains to scratch and scar the paint on the outside of the car.

Officer Watts' only clue was that the vandals were the work of boys. He is well acquainted with the notorious White brothers and they were the first to be suspected. John White, aged 17, was the first of the brothers to be caught. At first he denied any knowledge of the affair, but later confessed that his two brothers and the other boys named had committed the burglary and defaced the car. Officers Watts and Capron caught the boys together last night on East Fourth street after a chase of several blocks.

The boys will be turned over to the state to be prosecuted by the Santa Fe. The ages of the boys are Charles White, 14; John White, 17; Frank White, 16; Earl Cafferty, 15; Clarence McDowell, 16. The boys are all notorious, with the possible exception of McDowell, as ring leaders in the worst element of juvenile Topeka. The White brothers have been in "public life" several years. A short time ago Earl Cafferty struck a young man in the head with a brick for calling him names. A scalp wound was inflicted that required five stitches.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Bank Commissioner Breidenthal is at Oberlin.

T. W. Durham has been appointed city scavenger.

Wheat harvest is in progress in southern Kansas.

Dr. W. N. West is expected home from England next week.

There were just six votes cast against A. C. Sherman at Rossville.

The pigeons which roost around the state house pillars are being shot.

C. D. Brusman has been relieved from the duty as sidewalk inspector.

Repairs are being made on the asphalt pavement on Jackson street below Sixth.

Only six people attended ex-Judge Theodosius Botkin's lecture at Osage City.

A Scotchman in costume with a bagpipe, attracted a crowd on Kansas avenue today.

The ladders leading to the top of the state house dome have been replaced with stairs.

Chief Cook Nettles of the Union Pacific hotel has been arrested for assaulting a little boy.

The Populist ratification meeting which was to have been held this week has fallen through.

Coroner Bailey has recovered from his late illness. He is now on the streets inquest of business.

Several ministers of the city have adopted Rev. A. S. Embree's plan of twenty minute sermons.

The corner stone of the woolen mill will be laid in a few days, so say the projectors of the enterprise.

The local stenographers' association is arranging for a reception to be given Friday night of next week.

C. D. Watson is a candidate for reelection to the position of secretary of the Republican county central committee.

The board of equalization is in session at the county clerk's office for the purpose of fixing the tax levy for the year.

Officers Pickens and Foote, who "scour" Tennessee town every night, met at 9:40 at Twelfth street and Western avenue.

Sheriff Middleton, of Butler county, passed through Topeka yesterday with seven prisoners enroute to the state penitentiary.

T. S. Williams has been appointed trimmer of the city electric light force by Mayor Harrison. He succeeds Luther Dodd.

A Rossville man whose identity is unknown has voted a blank piece of paper as his ballot at the last three elections; probably a crank.

The O. K. O. club will entertain its friends with a minstrel show next Monday evening, at Lincoln post hall. It is an invitation affair.

Chief Lindsey went to Emporia today to attend the Populist congressional convention. He isn't a delegate, but wants to see E. M. Scott get the nomination.

The chapel at Christ's hospital is being thoroughly overhauled. Religious services are held in the parlors on Friday mornings until the work is finished.

Jim Legate's paper published at Leavenworth has suspended publication and the printers who did the work have applied to the district court for a receiver.

J. Bruce Lynch, who was not nominated for state treasurer at the Republican convention says his failure to get the nomination will not affect his support of the ticket.

D. L. Percival, jr., of Atchison, came to Topeka yesterday and was married to Miss Leah L. Creitz, who was missing from her home at Atchison. Mr. Percival found Miss Creitz at the National Presbyterian parsonage by Rev. Mr. Alderson.

POLICE COURT NOTES.

Thomas Reed was fined \$5 in police court today for stealing a pair of gloves from Barum's store. He made the old defence about "a man" whose name is unknown giving them to him.

Will King was fined \$5 for fighting on East Fourth street. He is a colored boy 15 years old.

Jack Morrison, Jack McGovern and Joe Buecher were fined \$10 each for being drunk and disorderly in Parkdale late Sunday night.

John Holt had a jag he couldn't have steered through the double doors at the fire department. He paid \$5 to take his jag home with him.

Chief Cook Nettles, of the Union Pacific hotel, is charged with assaulting a boy who worked under him. They had a dispute over the amount of wages due him. He hasn't been tried yet.

GEO. DOUGLASS TALKS.

Thinks Woman Suffrage Will Make the Populist Campaign Enthusiastic.

"I am a back number now," said Geo. L. Douglass who was defeated by Dick Blue for the nomination for congressman-at-large. "I still expect to do what I can, however, for the good of the party and expect Republican success to crown the campaign this fall."

"The platform and ticket are both strong and I believe they will commend themselves to the thoughtful voters more and more as the weeks go by. I feel every confidence in Republican victory because the members of the parties feel alive for earnest work and this is true of business men who have taken very little interest in politics and who now feel that it is business to elect the Republican ticket."

"I think that the endorsement of woman suffrage by the Populist convention will introduce an element of enthusiasm into their campaign which would otherwise be lacking, but while this would be a gain on one hand it will probably cost them more voters of Democratic proclivities than they will gain, for the prevailing sentiment among Democrats now is against feminism."

"In this campaign very close attention should be paid to the legislative districts. The complexion of the legislature will depend largely upon the result in many sparsely settled counties. The Seventh district will elect thirty-nine representatives and the Sixth district twenty-two, or about one-half the entire house is elected in these two districts, many counties of which have not more than 100 votes. As the result of the fight, for the legislature will determine whether or not we will elect a Populist United States senator, it is necessary for the party that attention be given to these extreme western counties. Two years ago there were counties lost by a few votes which might have been saved by more active work."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town.

Judge and Mrs. Z. T. Hazen entertained a company of congenial friends Saturday evening, at their home on Fifth and Madison streets.

Cards served as a pleasing diversion, and the guests were served with a tempting luncheon in the dining room. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gav, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Gardenhire, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wolff, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fagan, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Turney, Misses Wolff, Douthitt, Berry, Messrs. Isenhart, Kuykendall and Thomas.

General Social Notes.

Mrs. Wallace and son Fred, of 1113 Monroe street, have returned from a visit in Holton.

Misses Mame Walsh and Anna Baun were in Carbondale Sunday.

Miss Gussie Fuller went to Ottawa today, for the Chautauqua assembly.

L. Greenbaum of St. Louis, spent several days with his wife, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Steinburg, last week.

Miss Emma Kelly is expected today from Lawrence, to visit Miss May Maxwell.

Rev. Parley E. Zortman, of Sioux City, Iowa, has returned, after a short visit with his cousin, Miss Vinnie King.

Mr. S. W. Lyman will return to Philadelphia Thursday.

Miss Louie Littlefield, of Holton, is the guest of Mrs. Dr. Menninger.

Miss Grace Weiss is visiting in Kansas City.

Mr. Paul Hurd has returned to Abilene after spending several days with his aunt Mrs. A. Hurd.

Miss Myrtle Callahan left today for an extended visit in Newton and Colorado.

Miss Hallie Taylor, of Baldwin, is visiting Mrs. Fred Jenness.

Mrs. F. A. Lewis leaves Thursday for Towanda, Pa., for the summer. She will spend the month of September in New York.

Mrs. Selig and son, Lee, of Kansas City are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Diment.

Mrs. J. E. Prescott is visiting in Hutchinson.

Dr. G. J. Mulvane has returned from a business trip in the east.

Archibald Williams spent Sunday in Excelsior Springs.

Percy McBride, son of Rev. R. E. McBride, will spend his summer vacation in the office of the Christian Advocate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hartwell of Springfield, Mo., are visiting the family of their son at 817 Jackson street.

Misses Hazel Nelson, Bessie Tischer and Anna Knox will return tomorrow from a visit in Independence.

Miss Josephine Colby will leave Saturday for a visit in Beatrice, Neb.

Mrs. B. T. Lewis has returned from a visit in Chicago.

The Eolian mandolin and banjo club under the leadership of H. S. Lawrence will give a concert in Library hall the 26th.

Mrs. C. G. Coutant who has been the guest of Mrs. D. O. Crane, returned to Cheyenne, Wyo., yesterday.

Mrs. C. F. Kendall will go to Grand Rapids, Mich., tomorrow.

Miss Anna Wolf has returned from Junction City.

Mrs. W. J. Wetherholt has returned from a visit in Atchison.

Miss Anna Payne will go to Lawrence tomorrow to spend the day, and will go on to Kansas City to visit her sister for a month.

Mrs. L. B. McClintock and Mrs. A. K. Rodgers will go to Ottawa tomorrow to attend the Chautauqua.

Misses Vina Long and Louise Berryman of Dover, are staying with Mrs. S. M. Allen and attending the teachers' institute.

Miss Willa Rodgers went to Ottawa today to visit Mrs. Dr. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Booker are spending the day with Dr. and Mrs. Wasson on their way from Mexico to New York.

Miss Mulvane's Surprise.

Miss Margaret Mulvane was given a farewell surprise last evening by a party of friends who invaded the darkened parlors of her home bringing her lights.

When she arrived on the scene the lights were turned on and revealed a laughing group to the embarrassed eyes of the hostess.

They played cards, talked and had such a good time that they were decidedly loath to leave. Miss Mulvane and her mother will leave today for Cottage City, Mass., to spend the summer, and the entire party wished them a safe and pleasant journey. In the company were Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pounds, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Dietrich, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Speed Hughes, Mrs. H. A. Davidson of

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Amphion Club Plans.

There was a meeting of the Amphion club at the Copeland hotel last evening, and although it was a social affair, the members spent most of the time in talking over plans for the future welfare of the club. It is their desire to obtain two hundred associate members, who will defray the expenses, and the club will then give about four concerts a year. Admission tickets will be distributed among the associate members, the number limited to the capacity of the hall, of course, and no tickets will be sold.

The club will be reorganized on this basis, or one similar, in September, and there will be no more rehearsals until that time.

Minor Social Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zimmerman will arrive tomorrow to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wetherholt.

T. S. Hand arrived last night from New York. He will remain in the city about one week, and Mrs. Hand will return with him.

Mrs. Byron Roberts and daughter, Gertrude, will attend the commencement exercises of the Notre Dame convent this week. Miss Mary Roberts is a member of the graduating class.

Mr. Stabler and sister Bessie, of St. Louis, are visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. W. W. Campbell, of Riverside, California, formerly of Topeka, is visiting in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bratton have gone to Chicago on a short visit.

Miss Jessie Crowell, of Paola, who has been visiting Miss Lizzie Dalley returned to her home yesterday.

Prof. S. E. Jones, of Duluth, Minn., who was formerly a Kansas teacher, is visiting W. D. Struble.

Miss Babe Sturgis returned to her home in Concordia today.

Mrs. F. E. Buckner entertained a dozen ladies Saturday afternoon for Mrs. J. F. Bradley, of Kansas City, Kansas.

Miss Mary Huron is spending the week in Ottawa.

Miss Susie Wilder will go to Kansas City tomorrow to spend a couple of weeks.

Miss Lida McFerran and Will and Horace McFerran returned from a two week's visit near Auburn.

Mr. Dan Wilson of Chicago, is the guest of Miss Lena Pitts.

There will be an Imperial party at Vinewood Thursday evening.

Miss Lillie Claypool of Leavenworth is the guest of Misses Nellie and Jennie Leisher. She will return tomorrow.

Miss Helen Stauffer is visiting her sister in Emporia.

John R. Jones of Springfield, Mo., spent Sunday in town with his brother.

Parties going to Emporia will find the Leland Hotel, opposite Santa Fe depot, a first-class house on American and European plan. Lunch counter and restaurant open all night.

Shirts mended by the Peerless.

MINERS IN TOPEKA.

They Are Soliciting Aid for the Missouri Strikers.

J. J. Harding and J. R. Strickland, representatives of the United Mine Workers in the Fourteenth district, which includes Missouri, are in the city to solicit aid for the striking miners.

Both men are from Ray county, Missouri, and worked in the coal mines. They quit work April 27 under the general order issued by the United Mine Workers. The men are fighting for the reinstatement of their old scale of \$1 per ton. The scale was reduced to 87½ cents.

The men said in speaking of the proposed walkout of Kansas miners on Thursday that the Kansas miners had no grievance and that if they "struck" it would be to compel the Missouri mine owners to come to terms.

THE HOPE FOR KANSAS.

The East Reassured by Major Morrill Through a New York Paper.

The New York Evening Post of June 15, Friday, contains the following:

A gentleman in this city has received the following letter from the Republican candidate for governor in Kansas:

HAWAII, KAN., June 11.—"My Dear Sir: Your kind favor of 7th, congratulating me upon my nomination for governor of Kansas, is received. When I think of the grave responsibilities that will devolve upon me if I should be elected, I almost shrink from the thought of it. I can assure you of one thing, however, that nothing that I can do will be left undone to restore Kansas to the confidence of eastern friends which she once had. Yours truly,

E. N. MORRILL.

A CASE OF INSANITY.

The Probate Court Adjudges Phoebe Haynes Insane—One Marriage License.

Phoebe Haynes, aged twenty-seven and unmarried and a resident of Tennessee town, was yesterday declared insane by a jury consisting of Dr. C. S. McClintock, W. H. Gill, J. C. Johnson, Geo. C. Stoker, C. W. Hurd and G. W. Weed in the probate court. Dea Haynes, a sister, was the complaining witness and alleges that the symptoms of insanity have been apparent for ten days.

The Haynes family is colored. It is

a case of acute mania with delusions of wealth and grandeur and a desire to destroy property and the result of worry over her mother's continued sickness. She is confined in the county jail awaiting a place in the asylum.

Charles F. Griffey, aged 32, and Laura M. Streeter, aged 18, both of Grantville, were yesterday given legal permission by Probate Judge Elliott to pluck the thorny roses of life together.

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